Remaining in hospital 31st December, 1872	32
Admitted during the quarter	73
Total under treatment	105
Discharged during the quarter	70
Deaths	3
Remaining in hospital 31st March	31
Daily average	44
Greatest number in hospital at any date	59
Average stay in hospital	38
Collective stay	3,973

Servants, 8½c
Firing, 20
Clothing, 14½
43c

Average cost of each patient..43 cents

Your committee, with a view of carrying out the recommendation of their predecessors, and approved of by the council for 1872, have caused plans to be prepared for the erection of a new hospital, and have to report that they have carefully examined these plans, and find the accommodation suitable for the number of patients likely to be in hospital for the next few years.

Your committee have, therefore, in consequence of the high price of building material, coupled with the fact that the hospital will have to be built a third larger than contemplated by the committee for 1872, to ask in addition to the sum of six thousand dollars, sanctioned last year, a further grant of seven thousand dollars, for building and completing the hospital for occupation.

Your committee, in conclusion, beg to draw the attention of the council to the large outlay in fuel alone; it is estimated that each patient will cost at least $54 per annum for cordwood. Two hundred and forty-six cords of wood were used in hospital during the year 1872; the average number in hospital was thirty per diem.

All of which is submitted.

JOHN WILLIAMS, Chairman H. C.

The report was taken up clause by clause. The 1st and 2nd were passed without discussion; and the 3rd clause was read.

Ald. J. B. Smyth moved, seconded by Ald. Partridge, sr., that the clause of the report with reference to the building of an hospital be referred to the hospital committee and board of works, to see if the amount cannot be reduced.

Ald. Moffat moved in amendment to the amendment, seconded by Ald. Cousins, that the clause be referred back to the committee.

The amendment of Ald. Moffat was carried, and the report adopted, as amended.

Ald. Brown submitted the following report of the chairman of the license committee:

Your chairman has on four different occasions, by notices given, called together the members thereof, but on each occasion failed to have a quorum. I now give notice that I will at the next regular meeting of this council, move that we resolve ourselves into a committee of the whole, to take into consideration the matters which should have been settled by the said committee, and that I will at said meeting tender my resignation as chairman of said committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. BROWN.

Chairman of the License Committee.

Ald. Graydon said that at the next meeting of the council he would move that the members of all committees receive from the chairman twenty-four hours' notice of any meetings to be held.

Ald. Egan moved, seconded by Ald. Smyth, that the Chairman of the railway committee be requested to enquire into the agreements relative to the construction and equipment of the L. H. & Bruce Railway, and report thereon. Carried.

Ald. Partridge, jun., chairman, presented the following report:

The Board of Works and Exhibition committee, to whom was referred the petition of Richard Thompson and others, relative to the opening of Wellington street, and constructing a bridge across Lake Horn, recommend that said street be opened immediately after the close of the Provincial Exhibition, in September next, and that the construction of a bridge be left in the hands of the Board of Works.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Ald. Egan asked for information, in reference to the case of Mr. Brennan, from the chairman of the fire, water and gas committee. Mr. Brennan was present, and wished to state his complaint.

On motion of Ald. Moffat, the case was referred to the fire, water and gas committee to report, Mr. Brennan to appear and state his case.

Ald. Graydon gives notice that he will, at the next regular meeting of this corporation, request that a special committee be appointed to revise the rules of order of this council. The council then adjourned for two weeks.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 22nd, 1873.

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The council met in the council chamber at the usual hour. Present—His Worship the Mayor in the chair, and Aldermen McDonald, Moffat, Smyth, McBride, Beattie, Starr, Leonard, Brown, Rapley, Shaw, Christie, Cronyn, Egan, Partridge, sr., Graydon, McPhail, Partridge, jr., Williams.

The following communications were received:

From Messrs. Screaton and Gibson, asking for the privilege of removing sand from the bank of the river near Victoria bridge. Referred to the members of the ward.

From D. Lester, on behalf of Widow Dinly, asking for remission of taxes. Referred to the committee of finance and assessment.

From Thomas Churcher and others, requesting the council not to allow sand to be removed from the river bank near the gas works. Referred to the members of the ward.

From Alex. Moorhead, asking for remission of taxes. Referred to the committee of finance and assessment.

From Robt. Hunt and a number of others, asking that a plank sidewalk be laid down on the south side of Duke street, between Waterloo and Colborne. Referred to the members of the ward.

From Mr. W. L. Carrie, asking the use of the City Hall for the Boston Quartette Club. The communication stated that the club would pay the amount demanded, equal to the rent of any other hall, they preferring the City Hall for their performance.

Moved by Ald. Graydon, seconded by Ald. Shaw, that the prayer of the petition be granted. Carried.

From George Crispin, asking for an extension of time to pay his taxes. Referred to the committee of finance and assessment.

An application from Mr. A. S. Abbott, clerk, for a few days' absence, his son performing the duty in his absence, was granted.

The new fire department by-law was submitted and reading deferred.

Ald. Cronyn submitted the following report of the finance committee:

Your committee report funds for the following accounts:

Hospital and relief, numbered 1 to 51, amounting to $1,434.85; Wm. Williams, posting bills, $17.00. Total, $1,451.85. passed.

The committee recommend the petition of Mrs. Shannon being granted in part, relieving her from payment of $11.20, half the amount of her taxes, in consideration of the six months that her house was vacant. Passed.

The claim made by Messrs. W. & J. Willis, for value of their horse, killed at Blackfriar's bridge, the committee, without admitting the liability of the city, but taking into consideration the peculiar circumstances of this case, would recommend settlement with the Messrs. Willis, for $120, which amount they are willing to accept. Passed.

The communication of Mr. D. D. Morse, requesting an order for copies of "Bird's eye view of the city," in preparation by him, the committee have taken into consideration, and would recommend an order for ten copies, at five dollars a copy.

Your committee report that the sum of $7,451.30 has been received from the London and Port Stanley Railway Company, on account of the proportion due the city as first mortgage bondholders in the rent, for two quarters, and for wood (included in award) paid by the Great Western Railway Company to the former company.

B. CRONYN, Chairman.